

BUDGET ENFORCEMENT MECHANISMS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine budget enforcement mechanisms, after receiving testimony from Susan J. Irving, Director, Federal Budget Analysis, Strategic Issues, Government Accountability Office; Paul N. Van de Water, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, Washington, D.C.; and Phil Gramm, UBS Investment Bank, New York, New York.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Daniel Benjamin Shapiro, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to Israel, who was introduced by Senators Nelson (FL) and Lieberman; Stuart E. Jones, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan; George Albert Krol, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Uzbekistan; and Henry S. Ensher, of California, to be Ambassador to the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BORDER SECURITY

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine securing the border, focusing on progress at the Federal level, after receiving testimony from Janet Napolitano, Secretary of Homeland Security.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OVERSIGHT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Department of Jus-

tice, after receiving testimony from Eric H. Holder, Jr., Attorney General, Department of Justice.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of John Andrew Ross, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri, who was introduced by Senator McCaskill; Timothy M. Cain, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina; Nannette Jolivet Brown, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana, who was introduced by Senators Landrieu and Vitter; Nancy Torresen, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maine, who was introduced by Senators Snowe and Collins; and William Francis Kuntz II, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Allison A. Hickey, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Benefits, and Steve L. Muro, of California, to be Under Secretary for Memorial Affairs, both of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in a joint closed session with the Committee on Armed Services to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 30 public bills, H.R. 1705–1734; and 8 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 48–49 and H. Res. 246–251, were introduced. **Pages H3059–61**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H3062–63**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 245, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1229) to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to facilitate the safe and timely production of American energy resources from the Gulf of Mexico, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1230) to require the Secretary of the Interior

to conduct certain offshore oil and gas lease sales, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 112–73).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Fitzpatrick to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H3003**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:41 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H3011**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Dr. Kurt Gerhard, St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, Washington, DC. **Page H3011**

No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act: The House passed H.R. 3, to prohibit taxpayer funded abortions and to provide for conscience protections,

by a recorded vote of 251 ayes to 175 noes, Roll No. 292.

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Rejected the Speier motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with amendments, by a recorded vote of 192 ayes to 235 noes, Roll No. 291.

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Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in H. Rept. 112–71 shall be considered as adopted, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill.

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H. Res. 237, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 243 yeas to 177 nays, Roll No. 286, after the previous question was ordered without objection.

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Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of the men and women in uniform who have given their lives in the service of our nation in Iraq and Afghanistan, their families, and all who serve in the armed forces and their families.

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Repealing mandatory funding for school-based health center construction: The House passed H.R. 1214, to repeal mandatory funding for school-based health center construction, by a recorded vote of 235 ayes to 191 noes, Roll No. 290. Consideration of the measure began yesterday, May 3rd.

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Rejected the McCarthy (NY) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Energy and Commerce with instructions to report the same to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 180 ayes to 230 noes, Roll No. 289.

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Rejected:

Jackson Lee amendment (No. 1 printed in the Congressional Record of May 2, 2011) that was debated on May 3rd that sought to require the Health and Human Services Department to post a notice of rescission and the total amount of unobligated funds rescinded by the bill on the department's website (by a recorded vote of 207 ayes to 218 noes, Roll No. 287) and

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Pallone amendment (No. 2 printed in the Congressional Record of May 2, 2011) that was debated on May 3rd that sought to require a GAO study to determine school districts most in need of constructing or renovating school-based health centers (by a recorded vote of 205 ayes to 210 noes, Roll No. 288).

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H. Res. 236, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 1213) and (H.R. 1214) was agreed to yesterday, May 3rd.

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, May 5th.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and six recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3022–23, H3037–38, H3038, H3040, H3040–41, H3042–43, and H3043. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Agriculture: Full committee held a markup of H.R. 1573, to facilitate implementation of title VII of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, promote regulatory coordination, and avoid market disruption. The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

PORK INDUSTRY

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry-Public held a hearing to review the state of the pork industry. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NATIVE AMERICAN PUBLIC WITNESS HEARING—APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment and Related Agencies, Native American public witness hearing. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE, AND RELATED AGENCIES—APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Office of Science and Technology Policy FY 2012 Budget. Testimony was heard from John P. Holdren, Director.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a markup on H.R. 1540, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2012 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2012, and for other purposes. The bill was forwarded, without amendment.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities held a markup on H.R. 1540, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2012 for military activities of the Department of Defense